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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON WORLD FOOD COUNCIL AND INTERNATIONAL  
FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD) AT DAC MEETING  
ON AID TO LDC FOOD PRODUCTION

1. LATE MORNING JUNE 6 DAC CHAIRMAN ASKED WHETHER  
DELEGATES HAD COMMENTS ON WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC)  
AGENDA. GERMAN DELEGATE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT WFC  
AGENDA ITEM SEVEN ON FUTURE SCOPE OF COUNCIL ACTIONS.  
HE RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL ITSELF OR AN AD HOC WORKING  
GROUP DETERMINE AGENDA FOR FUTURE MEETINGS, NOT THE WFC  
SECRETARIAT AS RECOMMENDED IN WFC PAPER NO. FOUR.  
GERMANY CONCERNED THAT SECRETARIAT MAY WISH TO BUILD UP  
LARGE STAFF AND DUPLICATE WORK OF OTHER BODIES,  
ESPECIALLY FAO. SWEDISH DEL ECHOED SAME CONCERN. U.S.  
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DELEGATE SAID SECRETARIAT PAPERS STILL UNDER REVIEW,

ALTHOUGH WE HAVE GENERALLY SUPPORTED IDEA OF KEEPING  
SECRETARIAT STAFF SMALL. MOST OTHER DELEGATES ALSO  
NOTED PAPERS RECENTLY RECEIVED AND UNDER REVIEW.  
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS STATED HE UNDERSTANDS HANNAH IN AGREE-  
MENT THAT STAFF BE KEPT SMALL. THEREFORE DOUBTED THIS  
WOULD BE MAJOR PROBLEM.

2. SWEDEN STATED IFAD GOVERNING BOARD SHOULD HAVE LAST  
WORD ON PROJECT APPROVALS AND SHOULD FOCUS ON INTEGRATED  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. NETHERLANDS SUPPORTED THIS  
POSITION, AS DID DAC CHAIRMAN. EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DEL ANNOUNCED THAT COMMISSION HAD DECIDED TO RECOMMEND  
EC PARTICIPATION IN IFAD TO COUNCIL.

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